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SYNDROME FROM INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE (IBD)  
AND FOR MONITORING PERSONS WITH IBD USING TOTAL  
ENDOGENOUS LACTFERRIN AS A MARKER  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed November 16, 2005.

**Amendments to the Claims:** Begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings:** None

**Remarks:** Begin on page 5 of this paper.